



# Morning Highlights

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Time: 11:15 a.m.

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## Alaska General Wildland Fire Summary

Based on today's weather forecasts, meteorologists are more confident that conditions statewide will be generally cooler and damper into next week. Crews and resources are being released from fires as they are no longer needed. No new fires were reported to the Alaska Interagency Coordination Center (AICC) Wednesday. According to AICC, so far this year 505 fires have burned 2,916,216 acres statewide. A total of 68 fires are active in Alaska (see last two pages for staffed fire summary). For more information, visit:

<http://fire.ak.blm.gov/content/aicc/sitreport/current.pdf>. For a map of fire locations, click on "Fire Information" at: <http://fire.ak.blm.gov/predsvcs/maps.php>.

## Public Meeting Schedule

**Crazy Mountain Complex:** Today, August 13, at 2:00 p.m. at the Steese Road House.

**Hard Luck Creek Fire:** Tomorrow, August 14, at 6:00 p.m. at the Goldstream Valley Lion's Club Park (Ken Kunkel Community Center).

## National Wildland Fire Summary

For more information on the national situation, visit: <http://www.nifc.gov/nicc/sitreprt.pdf> or [http://www.nifc.gov/fire\\_info/nfn.htm](http://www.nifc.gov/fire_info/nfn.htm).

## Temporary Flight Restrictions

Temporary Flight Restrictions (TFR) exist over multiple fires in Alaska. The TFRs change to meet fire aviation needs. Pilots are encouraged to check NOTAMS for their safety and the safety of others. Commercial, private and other non-firefighting aircraft pilots are also asked to use caution in the vicinity of any wildland fire, even those without TFRs.

## Road Condition Information

Fires continue to burn near or along roads in Alaska. To receive updated information on stretches of road affected by the smoke check the 511 website at <http://511.alaska.gov/> or call 5-1-1 from any phone in state.

## Air Quality

To learn about protecting yourself from wildland fire smoke, visit: <http://www.dec.state.ak.us/air/am/smoke.htm>. Information for the Fairbanks North Star Borough is posted at: <http://co.fairbanks.ak.us/airquality/>.

## Specific Fire Information Sources

Current fire news releases are available at: <http://fire.ak.blm.gov/newsroom.php>; additional information may be found at: [www.incweb.org](http://www.incweb.org) or [http://www.nps.gov/fire/public/pub\\_firenews.cfm](http://www.nps.gov/fire/public/pub_firenews.cfm).

Incident	Location	Phone (907)	Email	Website Info/ Photos
Joint Fire Info Center	AICC (Fairbanks)	356-5511	alaskajic@gmail.com	<a href="http://fire.ak.blm.gov">http://fire.ak.blm.gov</a>
Hard Luck Creek Fire	Near Fairbanks	356-5511	<a href="mailto:nmfireinfo.buchanan@gmail.com">nmfireinfo.buchanan@gmail.com</a>	<a href="http://inciweb.org/incident/1802/">http://inciweb.org/incident/1802/</a>
Crazy Mountain Complex:	Near Central/ Circle, AK	773-5511	<a href="mailto:crazymountaincomplex@gmail.com">crazymountaincomplex@gmail.com</a>	<a href="http://inciweb.org/incident/1780">http://inciweb.org/incident/1780</a>
Railbelt Complex:	Near Nenana	832-1097 832-1836 378-3843	<a href="mailto:mintoflatsouthfire@gmail.com">mintoflatsouthfire@gmail.com</a>	<a href="http://inciweb.org/incident/1725/">http://inciweb.org/incident/1725/</a>
Wood River 1 Fire	Near Fairbanks	388-7526		<a href="http://inciweb.org/incident/1775/">http://inciweb.org/incident/1775/</a>
Chakina Fire	Near McCarthy	822-7223 or 644-3418		<a href="http://www.nps.gov/wrst/parkmgmt/firemanagement.htm">www.nps.gov/wrst/parkmgmt/firemanagement.htm</a>

## Tanana Valley State Fair Fire Information

A Fire Information Officer is present daily at the Society of American Foresters' booth at the Tanana Valley State Fair. The log-style booth is located on the NE side of the fairgrounds, near the Sunshine Field Arena.

## Additional References

- Alaska Interagency Coordination Center: <http://fire.ak.blm.gov/>
  - Map of Current Fires: <http://fire.ak.blm.gov/predsvcs/maps.php>
  - Situation Report: <http://fire.ak.blm.gov/content/aicc/sitreport/current.pdf>
  - National Fire Situation: <http://www.nifc.gov/nicc/sitreprt.pdf>
  - Guide to Wildland Fire Suppression in AK: <http://fire.ak.blm.gov/content/news/psa/Media%20Guide%20to%20AK%20Wildland%20Fire%20Suppression.pdf>
- Alaska Wildland Fire Coordinating Group- Education and Reference Materials: <http://fire.ak.blm.gov/administration/awfcg.php>
- Creating Defensible Space: <http://firewise.org/> and <http://forestry.alaska.gov/pdfs/06Firewise.pdf>
- Department of Transportation (Road Closure Info): (907) 451-2240, <http://511.alaska.gov/>
- Alaska Division of Forestry (Burn Permit Info): <http://forestry.alaska.gov/burn/>
- Department of Environmental Conservation (Smoke Concerns): <http://www.dec.state.ak.us/air/am/smoke.htm>
- National Parks Service: <http://www.nps.gov/akso/Fire/firehome.htm>
- National Weather Service: <http://www.nws.noaa.gov/>
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife: <http://www.fws.gov/fire/>
- USDA Forest Service: <http://www.fs.fed.us/fire/>
- Anchorage Fire Department: [www.muni.org/fire](http://www.muni.org/fire)
- Temporary Flight Restriction Information: <http://airspace.nifc.gov/mapping/nifc/>
- Federal Aviation Administration: <http://www.faa.gov/>

<b>Staffed Fire Name</b>	<b>Approx. Location</b>	<b>Acres Burned</b>	<b>Fire Personnel</b>
<b>Railbelt Complex</b>	NW of Nenana	632,353 acres	Type 2 Incident Mgt. Team (Doty)
			Gannet Glacier T2 IA crew
Fires in Complex			Chena IHC crew
Minto Flats South	12 mi. W of Nenana	534,910 acres	Yukon T2 IA crew
June Creek	21 mi. NW of Healy	165 acres	Holy Cross T2 crew
Rex Creek	19 mi. SE of Anderson	97,028 acres	Huslia #1 T2 crew
			Idaho Panhandle IHC crew
			Lewis & Clark IHC crew
			Lolo Regulars #1 T2 IA crew
			MAS #2 T2 IA crew
			Midewin IHC crew
			NHS #2 T2 IA crew
			Platte Canyon T2 IA crew
			San Isabel Regulars T2 IA crew
			Nulato T2 crew
			Vista Grande T2 IA crew
			Upper Tanana #4 T2 crew
			El Cariso T2 IA crew
			Fulton T2 IA crew
			Upper Tanana #3 T2 crew
			594 personnel in Complex
<b>Crazy Mountain Complex</b>		447,420 acres	Type 2 Incident Mgt. Team (Kurth)
Fires in Complex			Buckland T2 crew
Bluff Creek	6 mi. W of Circle	41,780 acres	Grayling T2 crew
Little Black One	18 mi. NE of Circle	349,530 acres	Kaltag #2 T2 crew
Jagged Ridge	19 mi. S of Circle	54,340 acres	Midnight Sun IHC crew
Puzzle Gulch	22 mi. SE of Circle Hot Springs	1,770 acres	Stebbins #1 T2 crew
			Stebbins #2 T2 crew
			Great Northern T2 IA crew
			Koyuk T2 crew
			Lewis & Clark T2 IA crew
			NYS #1 T2 IA crew
			St. Mary's T2 crew
			237 personnel in Complex
<b>Fourteen Mile</b>	9 mi. S of Circle.	28 acres	42 personnel
<b>Hard Luck Creek</b>	28 mi. NW of Fairbanks	13,213 acres	Type 2 Incident Mgt. Team (Cowie)
			Colorado River T2 IA crew
			Pioneer Peak T1 crew
			Upper Tanana #2 T2 crew
			FAS # 2 T2 IA crew
			Rio Grande T2 IA crew
			NEP #1 T2 IA crew
			Crane Valley IHC crew

			KBIC T2 IA crew
			MNICS#3 T2 IA crew
			MNICS#4 T2 IA crew
			Mt. Village T2 crew
			Springerville T1 crew
			WIC#1 T2 IA crew
			WIC#2 T2 IA crew
			Cherokee crew
			North Colorado crew
			501 personnel
<b>Big Creek</b>	30 mi. SW of Birch Creek	169,639 acres	42 personnel
<b>Chakina</b>	13 mi. S of McCarthy	56,700 acres	21 personnel

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